### SHERIFF'S OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS AUGUST 2007



#### Marine and Boat Safety Day at Antelope Point

A Marine and Boat Safety Day was held day at Antelope on August 11<sup>th</sup>. The focus was to educate the public on boating safety. Officers in Page handed out approximately 100 "I Got Caught Wearing My PFD" t-shirts. Officers also handed out boating safety brochures and were available to answer questions. The program reached out to several hundred people who attended throughout the day.

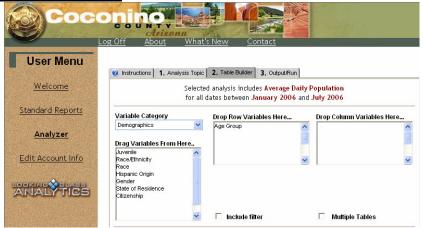
Deputy Davin Nichols handing out t-shirts during the Marine and Boat Safety Day

#### The Kitchen is Going Green

No, we are not serving green eggs and ham, but the kitchen staff is doing their part to help Mother Earth. The staff at the jail's kitchen has always printed two-sided paper to reduce paper waste. In a few weeks, they will start using the standard meal trays for all three meals. In addition to eliminating paper lunch bags, meal trays will eliminate the need for disposable breakfast bowls. The kitchen also replaced the over 1,000 orange drink cartons a day (similar to milk cartons) with recycle friendly, small paper envelope, dry mix pouches. The next big step is to find an earth friendly replacement for the 600 milk cartons a day. All this helps reduce waste by reducing items that otherwise end up in the garbage can.

## Looking Glass Analytics Helps Kitchen Develop Meal Plan

The jail's kitchen recently utilized the Looking Glass Analytics software to determine the average age of inmates to help develop meal plans. For years, meal plans have been based on the estimate of an average age of inmate between 25-27 years of age. Looking Glass allowed staff to determine that during 2006, the average age was around 32 years of age. With this information, along with the help of a Registered Dietician, staff was able to plan a more cost efficient menu to meet the dietary needs of the inmates.



Looking Glass software allows staff to determine inmate demographics

#### Search and Rescue Partners with NAU Students for Wilderness Safety Education

Sergeant Aaron Dick, SAR Coordinator has been working with Dr. Marty Lee who teaches FOR445 Wilderness Management at Northern Arizona University. This class teaches about wilderness issues. During the semester the students take on a wilderness related project. In the past, classes have worked on mountain bike and OHV issues as they relate to wilderness areas. This year the class is focusing on wilderness safety issues. The goal of the project is to develop some preventative search and rescue material that can be used by public safety and land management agencies to inform the public of safety issues in wilderness areas. Other partners in the project are Yavapai County Sheriff's Office, the Coconino National Forest, the National Park Service, the Arizona Game and Fish Department, and the Arizona Wilderness Coalition. The partnering agencies will meet with the students throughout the semester to provide guidance on the project. At the end of the semester, the final product will be available to agencies.

## **Promotions**

Congratulations to Brett Campbell, Triston Glueck, Teddi Sartorius, Garrett Pugh, Bill Mitchell, and Richard Naseyowma who recently tested for and promoted from Detention Officer I to Detention Officer II. Congratulations also to Chris DeLoria and Ira Wallace who tested for and promoted from Deputy to Detective.



## **Detention Academy Graduation**

The 5<sup>th</sup> Coconino County Sheriff's Office Detention Academy, ADA Class #61 graduated August 24<sup>th</sup>. Nine officers completed the certification and are continuing with their current assignments and facility training.

Graduates of ADA Class #61

## Williams Substation Partners with Maine Consolidated School in Parks

On August 20, 2007 the Coconino County Sheriffs Office conducted a traffic enforcement detail at the Maine Consolidated School in Parks. The traffic detail was conducted between 7:30-8:30 am during the first day of the 2007-2008 school year. During the traffic detail, 10 citations were issued to persons driving in excess of 50 miles per hour in a 25 miles per hour zone approaching the school crossing. Many verbal and written warnings also were issued during the detail. This was an awakening to many residents and brings to light the importance of maintaining safe speeds in and around schools zones.

Deputies from the Williams Substation also will begin spending time at the Main Consolidated School as School Resource Officers. The Williams Police Department (WPD) is also a partner in this program. Together, the Sheriff's Office and WPD will provide law and safety education for the students and faculty. Some of the educational programs planned include Eddie Eagle Gun Safety, Stranger Danger, and drug resistance education in cooperation with DARE. Lieutenant B. Tozer and Dr. Mark Williams, the School Superintendent are happy to be embarking on this partnership that will provide opportunities to build closer community relationships between the deputies, students, parents, and faculty.

#### **Cold Case Squad Gains Two Volunteers**

The Criminal Investigations Division welcomes two additional investigators to the Cold Case Squad. V.L. "Shorty" Morrow and John Weybright joined the Cold Case Squad in August, volunteering their time to review and investigate unsolved homicide cases. John has 25 years investigative experience with the Arizona Department of Public Safety. After retirement, John served as the Constable for Coconino County for 13 ½ years. Shorty has 22 years investigative

experience with the Arizona Department of Public Safety. After retirement, Shorty served as a Justice of the Peace for 12 years. One of the first cases they will be working on is a murder case from 1995 in which Homer Wright was murdered at his home in Parks. Please welcome these two gentlemen aboard.



John Weybright



Shorty Morrow

### **Bandidos Motorcycle Club has National Run in Flagstaff**

During the months of July and August, several law enforcement agencies came together to develop a Unified Incident Command plan to deal with any contingencies that may arise during a recent national run of the Bandidos Motorcycle Club to the greater Flagstaff area. Over 400 patched Bandidos and over 300 of their support members were estimated to have been in the community at the peak of this event; over 170 law enforcement personnel from over 30 different agencies were also present at the peak of the event. There were no major incidents or injuries associated with the event. While the event occurred over the weekend of August 16-20, 2007, the participation of staff throughout the interagency coordination, planning, and response stages was vital to the success of the law enforcement response to this event.

With the help of all involved, we successfully met the incident objectives: 1) Provide for the safety of incident personnel and the public. 2) Provide for interagency cooperation and communication. 3) Conduct consistent enforcement of all state and local laws. 4) Provide for flexible response to incidents within the city of Flagstaff and in the unincorporated areas of Coconino County. 5) Provide for effective communications for all incident personnel. 6) Gather intelligence through the completion of gang information cards for all gang members and suspected gang members

# Search and Rescue (SAR) Activity

In the early morning hours (0330) of Aug 28<sup>th</sup>, Search and Rescue responded to stranded hikers on the San Francisco Peaks. The two hikers were not sure what trail they were on and were very cold, tired, and hungry. They were not dressed or equipped for the conditions. DPS Air Rescue located the pair on the Humphrey's Trail just below the summit but could not land. SAR members hiked to the pair and provided treated them for hypothermia. SAR then escorted them down to the Agassiz Lodge. The hikers refused any additional medical care and left the area with instructions to rest before they continued their travels.

During the 2007 Coconino County Fair (over Labor Day Weekend) the Search and Rescue Unit assisted in manning the Sheriff's Office booth. Brochures about the Search and Rescue Unit and the Mounted Unit were distributed along with preventative search and rescue information such as "10 Essentials List" and the "Hike Safe Hiker Responsibility Code." Public outreach and education are important components of the Search and Rescue program.

#### Criminal Investigations Works on Updating Procedures for New Sex Offender Registration Requirements

Many new requirements are being considered statewide for the registration of sex offenders. Detective Cornish, Detective Bond and Administrative Specialist Ann Herrington attended training to learn about the new requirements. More changes may still be coming as the legislature reviews proposed bills. The Criminal Investigations Division is responsible for registering and maintaining status on sex offenders in Coconino County. As of January 2007, there were approximately 230 sex offenders registered in the county.

### E-Bay Fraud Crime Still Under Investigation

Detective Cornish continues to work with the County Attorney's Office on a \$100,000 E-Bay fraud crime that occurred in 2003. Detective Cornish traveled to Wisconsin to interview a female suspect for this case. A male suspect in the case had committed suicide several years ago in Colorado when police approached him about the case.

On August 23<sup>rd</sup>, two search warrants were issued for separate cases. One was a search warrant for dangerous drugs at a home in Mountain Dell. Metro executed the search warrant and arrested one individual for sale of dangerous drugs. They recovered approximately methamphetamine, cash, and a gun. In a separate incident on the same day, Detectives followed up on a theft investigation of stolen propane tanks at a trailer at Rowl Trailer Court. One suspect was arrested and information received was that another suspect who had a violent history and possible weapons was inside the trailer. A search warrant was authorized and the Flagstaff Police/Coconino Sheriff Tactical Team responded. Although the other suspect was not inside the trailer upon entry, numerous items stolen from construction sites were recovered.

#### **Antelope Canyon Remembrance**

August 12th was the tenth anniversary of the Antelope Canyon flash flood that killed 11 people. Several of the victims were from France, and many of their family members traveled to Antelope Canyon to pay tribute to their family members on this anniversary. Present were the Allain and Aline families from France who both lost their daughters, and the Lohr daughters who lost their parents. The families held private memorials in the lower canyon.

